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Johnson et al.

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For: ORTHOPEDIC APPLIANCE WITH
MOISTURE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL ACTION

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated November 14, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. A Petition for Extension of Time, extending the time for response by three months to May 14, 2009, is filed concurrently herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.